

**Logic used to try and identify those Audley Combatants in WW1
whose forename begins with the letter W
revised 2nd October 2022**

During WW1 the minimum and maximum age for conscription was 18 years and 41 years although this was increased to 51 in 1918.

The following is a list of potential candidates for combatants in WW1 whose forename starts with the letter W:

{AA46} William Audley (1852 – 1935)

Aged 62 at outbreak of WW1 therefore would not have served

{AA79} Walter Audley (1886 -1924)

Aged 28 at outbreak of WW1

{AA90} William John Audley (1886 -1955)

Aged 28 at outbreak of WW1

{AA127} Walter Audley (1903-1962)

Aged 15 at end of war therefore would not have served,

{AB48} William Audley (1884-1940)

Aged 30 at Outbreak of WW1

{AC38} William Dundonald Audley (1895 -1979)

Aged 19 at out break of WW1 lived in India therefore under 'Former Colonial Countries'

{AC40} Walter Donald Audley (1900-1981)

Aged 18 at the end of WW1 lived in India therefore under 'Former Colonial Countries'

{E36} William Herbert Audley (1893-1963)

Aged 21 at the out break of WW1 Living in Australia at outbreak of WW1

{E98} William Audley (1870 - ????)

Aged 44 at the outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

{F15} William Audley (1869 – 1937)

Aged 45 at outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

{F68} William Charles Audley (1860 – 1952)

Aged 54 at outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

{F102} William Audley (1862 - ????)

Aged 53 at Outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

{J10} William Henry Audley (1874 – 1925)

Aged 40 at outbraek of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1 but could have.

{J165} William Audley (1871- 1951)
Aged 43 at Outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

{N8} William Robert Audley (1885-1954)
Aged 29 at Outbreak of WW1

{N86} William Audley (1878 - 1937)
Aged 36 at the outbreak of WW1

{QE7} William Audley (1858 – 1934)
Aged 56 at the outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

{QH12} William Audley (1850 – 1916)
Aged 64 at the outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

{T18} William Audley (1896 -1941)
Aged 18 at the outbreak of WW1

{U100} William Henry Audley (1869 – 1960)
Aged 45 at the outbreak of WW1 therefore unlikely to have served.

{U108} William Henry Audley (1898 -1952)
Aged 20 at the end of WW1

{U114} William Audley (1882-1918)
Aged 32 At the outbreak of WW1

{V26} William John Audley (1899-1929)
Aged 19 at the end of WW1

{V50} Walter Audley (1900 -1981)
Aged 18 at the end of WW1

{YC7} William Aloysius Audley (1881 – 1926)
Lived in USA Therefore unlikely to have served in WW1

Candidates of correct age and place to have fought in WW1

{AA79} Walter Audley (1886 -1924) Aged 28 at outbreak of WW1
Identified as serving in the Kings Liverpool Regt.

{AA90} William John Audley (1886 -1955) Aged 28 at outbreak of WW1
{AB48} William Audley (1884-1940) Aged 30 at Outbreak of WW1
Identified as Serving in the King's Liverpool Regt

{N8} William Robert Audley (1885-1954) Aged 29 at Outbreak of WW1
{N86} William Audley (1878 – 1937) Aged 36 at the outbreak of WW1
Identified as serving in the Suffolk Regiment

{T18} William Audley (1896 -1941) Aged 18 at the outbreak of WW1
{U108} William Henry Audley (1898 -1952) Aged 20 at the end of WW1
Identified as serving in the Worcester Regt.
{U114} William Audley (1882-1918) Aged 32 At the outbreak of WW1
Identified as 'Killed in action'

{V26} William John Audley (1899-1929) Aged 19 at the end of WW1
identified as serving in the Devonshire Regiment.

{V50} Walter Audley (1900 1981) Aged 18 at the end of WW1

Candidates who have not been attributed so far

{AA90} William John Audley (1886 -1955) Aged 28 at outbreak of WW1
{N8} William Robert Audley (1885-1954) Aged 29 at Outbreak of WW1
{T18} William Audley (1896 -1941) Aged 18 at the outbreak of WW1
{V50} Walter Audley (1900 1981) Aged 18 at the end of WW1

Discussions

W Audley

Awarded the 'Victory' and the 'British War' Medals
British Army, 7th (Queen's Own) Hussars. Private, #35947
British Army, Military Mounted Police, Private, #P17260
British Army, Military Mounted Police, Major, #P17260

Based on the above logic this person can only be this person can only be {N8}, {T18} or {V50} based on his age it is unlikely to be {V50}.

Despite the above logic this person is now believed to be {AC40} as he is recorded in the 1921 census as 'Walter Audley a Lance Corporal in the Army Military Police and stationed at GHQ, British Army in Constantinople. The 1921 census return indicates that he was born in May 1898; whereas {AC40} was born 14th May 1900. Perhaps he gave a false age when enlisting for WW1

William Audley

British Army, Leicestershire Regiment ,#2442
His service Record survive

This is definitely {J165} from his wife's name Rejoined 25 Jan 1915
Had no overseas service spent time at the Curragh in Ireland

William Audley Medal Card has just W (???? -????)

Awarded the 'Victory', the 'British War' and the '1915 Star' Medals
He saw service in France from 26th February 1915

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British Army, Royal Horse Artillery and Royal Field Artillery, Driver, #1325

British Army, Royal Field Artillery, Driver, #820177

His 'new style' service number 820177 suggest that he was a member of either the 46 Divisional Ammunition Column or the 59th Divisional Ammunition Column

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William Audley (???? - ????)

Awarded the Silver War Badge

Military Unit; Rank & Service Number

Enlisted 13th September 1915

British Army, East Lancashire Regiment, Private, #241641

Discharged 22nd May 1919

Based on the above logic this person can only be this person can only be {N8}, {T18} or {V50} based on his age it is unlikely to be {V50}

William J Audley (???? - ????)

He was awarded the 'Victory', the 'British War' and the '1915 Star' Medals

Military Unit; Rank & Service Number

He saw overseas service from 6th November 1914

British Army, 23rd Reserve Battery Royal Field Artillery #9821

Transferred 7th October 2014 Heavy Artillery Woolwich.

British Army, 119th Heavy Battery Royal Garrison Artillery, Gunner, #281717

British Army, 119th Heavy Battery Royal Garrison Artillery, Corporal, #SR/6717

As the above person is William J Audley he can only be {AA90} as there is no other William J Audley unaccounted for

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